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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re: Claussen et al. § Group Art Unit: 2176
Serial No.: 09/409,370 §
Filed: 09/30/1999 § Examiner: Bieneman, C.
For: Method for processing a §
document object model (DOM) §
tree using a tagbean §

5 DECLARATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.131

To the Commissioner for Patents:

Christopher Shane Claussen declares as follows:

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1. I am an applicant for the patent application entitled
"Method for processing a document object model (DOM) tree
using a tagbean", U.S. Patent Application Serial Number
09/409,370, filed September 30, 1999, and an inventor of
15 the subject matter described and claimed therein.

2. Prior to August 18, 1999, I completed and reduced to
practice, in the United States of America, the invention
described and claimed in the above-noted application, as
20 evidenced by the following:

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(a) I was named as an inventor on IBM Invention
Disclosure Form AUS8-1999-0727, a document of which a
copy is attached hereto as Exhibit "A", which
25 describes the invention that is described and claimed
in the subject application.

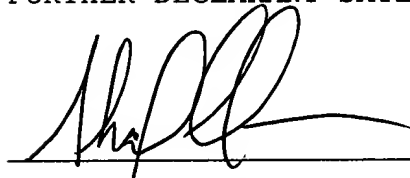
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3. Each of the dates deleted from Exhibit "A" is prior to August 18, 1999.

4. I am named on page xviii (the "Acknowledgements" page) of the "JavaServer Pages™ Specification" Version 1.1 - Public Release", Sun Microsystems, Inc., 08/18/1999, as having contributed to the JSP 1.1. specification.

5. I further declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge and all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements are made with the knowledge that willful and false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment or both under § 1001 of Title 18 of United States Code and that such willful and false statements may jeopardize the validity of the above-referenced application and any patent issuing therefrom.

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Main Idea

Title of disclosure (in English)

Special Style Java TagBean 2: Text In, Text Out

1. Describe your invention, stating the problem solved (if appropriate), and indicating the advantages of using the invention.

There is a further simplification we can make for the tagbean writer: pass in an XML string.

This simplification doesn't require the writer to know anything about the DOM APIs.

If the tag requires simple token replacement, the tagbean writer will find it way too cumbersome to perform the replacement when constrained to only looking at the text in small chunks of the

attribute values and text inside of nodes.

public abstract class TextTagBean extends SimpleTagBean

```
{  
    public abstract String  
    translateText(String input);
```

```
  
    public final String  
    translateElement(Element element);
```

```
  
    public final void  
    process(Element element);  
}
```

The TextTagBean extends the SimpleTagBean class and implements the translateElement function to inherit the String -> DOM output functionality.

The TextTagBean performs as follows:

- 1 The Java TagBean handler calls SimpleTagBean.process(element).
- 2 SimpleTagBean.process hands the element off to the "overwritten" translateElement() method.
- 3 TextTagBean.translateElement() takes the element and flattens it into XML without interpreting any of the XML.
- 4 The XML is passed to the translateText method.
- 5 translateText looks at the XML string and manipulates it to produce another text (XML4JSP) representation of it and returns this to TextTagBean.translateElement().
- 6 translateElement returns the text output of translateText to the SimpleTagBean.process() method.
- 7 The text representation is parsed into a DOM.
- 8 The top node of the new DOM replaces the element that was passed into translateElement().

2. How does the invention solve the problem or achieve an advantage, (a description of "the invention", including figures inline as appropriate)?

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(All of these are by the same team and may have yet to be a formal)

Custom DOM tags

Writing language blocks to support multiple scripting languages in a single web page

Writing content between multiple related XML tags in a DOM

Examples of Custom Tags

Template for JSP

Method to get case-insensitive tag recognized from case-sensitive language

Scripting against a DOM as opposed to an output stream

How to write custom tag beans

Special Style Java TagBean 1: DOM as Text Out

Special Style Java TagBean 2: Text In, Text Out

Custom DOM Tag (implemented as an XSLT)

Algorithm for processing a DOM with Custom Tags

Code Generation code

XSLT output

Uses with Alternative syntax

Template generation via DOM Validation of file file

DOM Caching module

DOM Caching Transformations

Using Style sheets and DOM scripting

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☒ Developers of networking software

☒ Developers of application software

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A good majority of the tagbeans we have written so far were implemented (or could have been implemented) by extending the SimpleTagBean class.

```
public abstract class SimpleTagBean implements TagBean
```

```
{  
    public abstract String
```

```
translateElement(Element element);
```

```
public final void  
process(Element element);
```

The SimpleTagBean is an implementation of TagBean.

It performs as follows:

- 1 The Java TagBean handler calls SimpleTagBean.process(element).
- 2 SimpleTagBean.process hands the element off to the "overwritten" translateElement() method.
- 3 TranslateElement looks at the tag and produces a text (XML4JSP) representation of it and returns this to SimpleTagBean.process().
- 4 The text representation is parsed into a DOM.
- 5 The top node of the new DOM replaces the element that was passed into translateElement().

This is advantageous to the writer of the tagbean because now he doesn't have to know how to create new nodes and populate them with values. All the writer has to do is create an XML expanded form of the element passed in.

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- Output DOM Bean
- Supporting blocks to support multiple related DOM Beans in a single web page
- Supporting blocks to support multiple related DOM Beans in a DOM
- Library of Custom Tags
- Transitional JSP
- Method to process insensitive recognition from case sensitive language
- Supporting a DOM as opposed to an individual element
- Novel way to write custom tag beans
- Special Style Java TagBean 1: DOM In, Text Out
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- Custom DOM Tag (implemented as an XSLT)
- Algorithm for processing a DOM with Custom Tags
- Simple TagBean: text in, text out
- Code Generation Option
- XSL Mapping
- Align with Alternative syntax
- Template generator for DOM translation of HTML
- DOM Caching (Include)
- DOM Caching (Exclude)
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